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Annual Report

—OF THE—

Town Officers

TOWN OF

ALFRED

MAINE

For the Year Ending February 9th

1926

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE FINANCIAL CONDITION

AND

Receipts and Expenditures

OF THE

Town of Alfred

MAINE

TOGETHER WITH THE REPORTS OF

Selectmen, School Committee, Town Clerk
Treasurer, Directors and Librarian
of Parsons Memorial Library

For the Year Ending February 9

1926

THE AVERILL PRESS, SANFORD, MAINE
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Town Officers, 1925

Town Clerk

H. J. SAYWARD

Selectmen, Assessors and Overseers of Poor

LUCUIS M. PERKINS JAMES H. LITTLEFIELD

JOHN E. ROBERTS

Superintending School Committee

SUMNER B. MARSHALL G. E. MOSSMAN

GEO. L. ROBERTS

Treasurer

FREDERICK A. HOBBS

Road Commissioners

SAMUEL A. CHADBOURNE PERCY H. SMITH

Constable and Collector

L. D. RIDLEY

Health Officer

SUMNER B. MARSHALL, M. D.

Directors Parsons Memorial Library

LUCUIS M. PERKINS MARY C. EMERSON

H. B. FERNALD GEORGE H. WILLIAMS

GRACE M. CAME G. E. MOSSMAN

Report of Selectmen, Assessors and Overseer of the Poor

For Municipal Year Ending Feb. 9, 1926

Appropriated to Defray Town Expenses, State and County Taxes Etc.

Support of Poor	$ 500.00	
Schools	9,000.00	
Repairs on School Houses	200.00	
Highways and bridges	2,000.00	
Opening roads in winter	500.00	
Incidental expenses	200.00	
Discounts and abatements	200.00	
Interest on loans	100.00	
Parsons Memorial Library	250.00	
Alfred Fire Department	150.00	
For purchase electric fire siren	400.00	
Electric Street Lights	550.00	
Alfred Water Company	1,200.00	
Care of Fountain and Park	50.00	
Maintenance State Highway	440.00	
State Aid Highway	533.00	
Fire Warden	25.00	
White Pine Blister Rust	50.00	
		$16,348.00

Amount Appropriated	$16,348.00
State Tax	3,904.59
County Tax	860.56

Overlay	139.51	
		$21,252.66
Less 241 Polls at $3		723.00
Amount to be Assessed		$20,529.66
Resident Real Estate	$318,034.00	
Non-Resident Real Estate	137,887.00	
Resident Personal Estate	95,286.00	
Non-Resident Personal Estate	4,460.00	
Tatal Estates	$555,667.00	

Rate .037

Suplimentary Tax $77.00

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES ACCOUNT 1925

Order No.		
6	Stamps for mailing reports	$ 4.50
18	Treasurers Bond, [illegible] Hobbs	20.00
43	Averill Press, 300 town reports	70.00
44	Auto hire, preparing case Pierce family	3.50
48	Loring, Short & Harmon, office supplies for Selectmen, Town Clerk and Treasurer	25.98
74	Clarence Thing, auto hire acct. poor	2.00
86	Ernest C. Allen, surveying town line near Perley Brock's	5.50
90	Ruth R. Littlefield on assessment books	12.00
91	L. S. & H., flags for memorial	4.17

102	Clarence Thing, auto hire account poor	2.00
105	Charles Bracy, placing flag	5.00
107	James H. Littlefield, acct. salary	10.00
172	John Bracy, care cemetery lot	1.00
220	Averill press, printing check lists	15.28
	Averill Press, printing tax bills	7.25
229	Alfred Boosters advertising	25.00
230	Charles Harlburt, Slection clerk September election	2.00
231	Frank W. Sprague, ballot clerk September election	2.00
332	Samuel A. Chadbourne, ballot clerk	2.00
249	Batchelder Bros., insurance on schoolhouse $6,000, expires Sept. 29, 1926	93.00
	Insurance on Town Hall in York Mutual $3,200, expires Sept. 29, 1926	44.80
272	Frank P. Morrill, watering trough 1925	3.00
386	Stamps for Treasurer's office	5.00
411	John E. Roberts, salary Selectman	75.00
413	Keys for Town House	.95
418	Charles Harlburt, ballot clerk, Dec. 7 (special)	2.00
419	Frank W. Sprague, ballot clerk, Dec. 7 (special)	2.00
420	Percy Smith, election clerk, Dec. 7	2.00
422	Moses S. Moulton, sealer weigths and measures	5.00
430	Gas, oil and supplies for Chemical Truck	6.24

438	H. J. Sayward, repairs fire damage on Schoolhouse	3.40
440	P. H. Abbott M. D., reporting 3 births	.75
441	Batchelder Bros., premium to restore policy to original amount of $6,000 after the two fire damages	1.56
448	Loring, Short & Harmon, office supplies, paper	10.13
449	Plummer's Garage Zen Foe for Chemical engine	8.50
452	Lucius M. Perkins, services as Selectman	150.00
453	James H. Littlefield, balance of salary	90.00
455	L. B. Ridley, salary as collector	100.00
456	L. D. Ridley, salary as constable	13.00
457	L. D. Ridley, salary as Dog Constable	5.00
458	L. D. Ridley, postage and printing	25.00
459	L. D. Ridley, bond	20.00
479	H. J. Sayward, repairs schoolhouse after 2nd fire	6.80
481	H. J. Sayward, services as Town Clerk	48.78
520	L. M. Perkins, postage and telephone	5.00
523	F. A. Hobbs, salary as Treasurer	75.00
524	H. J. Littlefield, auditor	5.00
525	S. B. Marshall M. D., board of Health	5.00
527	I ton coal of G. A. W. Roberts for Fire Station	16.00

530 S. B. Marshall M. D., reporting births and deaths	6.00	
		$1,053.09

Appropriated	$200.00
Bank Stock Tax	336.86
Overlay	139.51
Damage from first schoolhouse fire	50.00
Damage from second schoolhouse fire	98.60
	$ 824.97
Overdrawn	228.12
	$1,053.09

It has been a custom to charge the Insurance of Town's buildings to this account and so we have credited the account with the amounts received from the Insurance Company for fire damage.

We have received as Bank Stock Tax of State $124.59 less than in 1924.

SUMMARY OF HIGHWAY AND BRIDGES ACCOUNT

On Orders Drawn by the Commissioners

Percy H. Smith	$ 939.32
On orders drawn by Samuel A. Chadbourne	1,973.18
For repairs to machines and for metal culverts and two silent policemen with electric lights, etc.	593.84

For repairs of roads occasioned by the spring ruts made by motor vehicles between L. D. Ridleys and Fountain in March	124.11	
		$3,630.45
Of H. G. Littlefield	$ 15.00	
Of Sanford	40.14	
Amount voted by Town	2,000.00	
Overdraft	1,575.31	
		$3,630.45

Considerable of this overdraft would have been avoided but for a protest by some citizens to an arrangement made by the Selectmen with the State Highway Commission to change the location of the 3rd Class State Aid road for the year. The location of this road could have been changed without injury to the general usefulness of the highway.

EXPENDED ON HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

By Percy Smith, Commissioner, 1925

Order No.		
66	Frank Libby	$ 6.00
72	Fred H. Jones	19.75
78	Percy H. Smith, Com.	39.50
79	Frank Woodman	15.00
94	Leland H. Stevens, truck and gravel	40.75
95	Percy Smith, work team	70.00
96	Paul Dustin	10.50

97	Fred Jones	3.00
98	Franklin Grant with truck	40.00
99	Franklin Grant	5.00
100	Frank Woodman	15.00
101	Clinton Carll	6.00
104	Ernest C. Allen	8.00
109	Frank Woodman	16.50
110	Percy Smith and team	38.50
111	John Bowden	6.00
112	Rufus Trafton	21.00
113	Rufus Trafton, 21 loads gravel	2.10
114	Nellie B. Jordan, 128 loads gravel	12.80
115	Leland H. Gile	7.00
116	A. K. Gile & Son, 57 loads gravel	5.90
117	Wilbur Roberts, 41 loads gravel	4.10
118	Clinton Carll	1.50
119	James Pender	33.00
120	Jere Gile	12.00
121	Frank Hall	15.75
122	Victon Pattsits	3.00
123	Preston Hall	6.00
124	Will Bean	3.00
125	Franklin Grant	8.50
126	Ernest Allen	3.00
127	Ernest Hall	47.25
128	Thos. G. Hall	33.75
129	Herbert Hussey	10.50
130	Perley Allen	1.50
132	Jos. Bean	7.50
133	Jos. Bean	6.00
135	Wilbur Carpenter	3.50
138	E. C. Allen, cutting bushes	6.00
141	Frank P. Morrill	8.50
140	Geo. Merrill	12.00
156	Percy Smith with team	49.00
157	John H. Stevens, 14 loads gravel	1.40

360	Thos. G. Hall, cutting bushes	4.50
376	E. C. Allen	1.50
377	E. C. Allen	9.75
378	John Berry with team	24.50
379	Wilbur Roberts, gravel	2.05
380	Dynamite	2.27
380	Geo. Morrill	3.00
381	Jos. Bean	10.50
380	Elmer Brackett	10.00
383	Percy Smith, com.	19.00
405	John E. Roberts	6.00
428	Ernest Hall, smoothing up	7.00
429	A. E. Carpenter, smoothing up	5.00
466	Harold Day, trucking gravel	26.00
467	A. E. Carpenter	40.00
490	W. H. Bean, cutting bushes	12.00
491	Geo. Roberts with truck	10.00
493	Fred Leach	14.00
497	L. H. Stevens, cutting bushes	15.00
507	Forrest Burbank	34.50
508	A. M. Burbank, 98 loads gravel	14.70
529	Carrol Burbank	3.00
		$939.32

EXPENDED ON HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES

By S. A. Chadbourne, Commissioner

Order No.		
52	Jos. Bean	$ 15.00
55	S. A. Chadbourne	30.00
56	Willie Knight	23.50
58	Frank Ridley	6.00

59	Roscoe Hussey, team	40.00
60	Robert Clark, truck	20.00
64	Jos. Bean	19.00
65	Clifford Nutter	6.00
73	Fred E. Thompson	22.00
75	Wilbur Edgecomb 2nd	38.50
76	S. A. Chadbourne	35.00
80	Arthur Green	14.00
81	Fred E. Thompson	3.00
85	Will Knight	26.50
87	Jos. Bean	28.50
89	Geo. Nutter with team	59.50
136	Wilbur Edgecomb	16.50
139	Ernest Allen	3.00
143	Geo. E. and E. P. Moulton	12.00
147	Clifford Nutter	6.00
152	Wilbur Edgecomb	8.50
159	John H. Stevens, teams	49.00
	John H. Stevens, plank and stringers for Saco Bridge $29.12	
	John H. Stevens for Hay Brook Bridge $71.28	
	John H. Stevens or Lyman Littlefield Bridge $1.82	102.22
	(One-half of this Hay Brook Bridge is Sanford's)	
163	J. W. Yates	9.00
166	Wilbur Edgecomb	6.00
167	S. A. Chadbourne	50.00
168	Waldo Ricker	4.50
169	Clinton Clark	3.00
171	Jos. Bean	6.00
172	G. B. Chadbourne, gravel	11.50
184	James C. Littlefield, cutting bushes	3.75

188	James C. Littlefield, cutting bushes	3.00
191	James C. Littlefield, cutting bushes	5.00
194	Ralph Smiley, painting danger signs	3.50
210	Robert Clark	4.50
223	Chester Farnham	14.50
337	James C. Littlefield, cutting bushes	3.00
248	Clifford Small	17.00
253	Wilbur Powell	3.00
265	Sumner Ricker, cutting bushes	3.00
268	Wilbur Edgecomb Jr	7.50
288	Percy Woodbury	12.00
289	John H. Stevens, teams and gravel	84.00
290	John H. Stevens, 4 horses, 2 men an machine	14.00
302	Charles Brown	15.00
305	Charles Brown	5.25
305	Charles Brown, Mill road bridge	9.75
306	Wesley Clark	23.25
307	Waldo Ricker	5.25
308	James C. Littlefield, cutting bushes	2.50
309	Irving Yates	18.75
310	Wilbur Edgecomb	23.25
318	S. A. Chadbourne, team	42.00
320	Clifford Small, Mill road	40.25
	Clifford Small, Saco road	14.00
	Clifford Small, Cross road	10.00
340	Clifford Small	41.25
346	Harold Deshon	6.00
345	Jos. Bean	15.00
353	Jos. Bean	6.00

355	John Bennett for gravel	1.20
358	Waldo Ricker	6.00
373	Wilbur Edgecomb Jr.	21.00
384	W. E. Rendall, gravel	1.00
387	Roscoe Hussey, man and team	27.00
388	Hector Scott, gravel	1.00
389	Ed. Ricker, 214 loads gravel	21.40
390	Herbert G. Chadbourne	4.00
391	S. A. Chadbourne, $44.25 Mill road, $16.00 Saco road, $42.22 sidewalk	102.47
402	Will Knight	86.25
409	Wilbur Edgecomb	6.00
410	John H. Stevens, lumber for rails	3.69
416	H. B. Fernald, paint, spikes, nails	8.62
421	Geo. Bracy, danger signs on bridges	6.00
469	Lucy Tripp, gravel	34.10
470	Will Knight,, Ridley's to stores	6.00
472	Will Knight, Ridley's to stores	15.00
474	Lucy Tripp, gravel	7.60
487	Frank Ridley	6.00
488	C. Hussey	3.00
494	Geo. Hayes	6.00
495	S. A. Chadbourne, team	80.00
496	Herbert Littlefield	8.00
499	Harry E. Chadbourne, Ridley's to stores $42.00, Mills road $36.75, Saco road $14.00, regular town roads $14.00	106.75
502	Perley Allen	3.00
503	Arthur Farnham	13.00
510	Hattie Marble, gravel	9.80
511	Herbert Hussey	14.00

517	C. H. Cluff	69.83
499	Weld Yeaton	34.50

Work on Berwick Road from L. D. Ridley's to Fountain in Square

Order No.		
214	Wilbur Edgecomb, Jr.	12.00
217	Charles Brown	15.00
221	Jessie Brown	6.00
222	Charles Brown	6.00
223	Chester Farnham	21.00
224	Jack Yates	18.00
225	Wilbur Edgecomb	15.00
226	Arthur Green	7.00
227	Arthur Green	14.00
233	Wilbur Edgecomb Jr.	6.00
234	Harland Drown	12.00
	Total	$1,973.18

In September R. D. Elwell had permission to put the earth from his cellar in the street free of charge to Town. This is the leveling up and finishing of a good piece of road.

REPAIRS ON ROAD MACHINES AND CULVERTS, SILENT POLICEMEN ETC.

In Common to Whole Town

68	New blade for new Western Machine	$ 10.50
69	Repairs on old machine and blade for Baby Grader	28.62

92	N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	41.16
134	Freight on Silent Policeman	2.01
137	Cement to set Policeman	3.80
145	Triffic Signals and Signs	109.00
154	Setting signal, H. E. Merrill	60.39
202	Culvert for Library and sidewalk	38.81
213	H. E. Merrill, making signal at the Park	67.95
216	A. H. Nutting, cement for signal	5.40
207	N. E. Metal Culvert Co.	110.72
372	H. E. Merrill, repairing signal	3.73
407	G. W. Clark, repairing machines and fitting old machine for snow	87.75
		$ 569.84

Repairing Rutted Road on Account of Use of Trucks and Jitneys in Winter When Snow was Removed by Road Machine

Order No.		
22	Waldo E. Ricker, shoveling gravel	$ 4.25
23	Robert Clark, truck, 2 days	20.00
24	Ben Horn, shoveling	6.00
25	Forest Clark, shoveling	6.00
28	Wesley Clark, shoveling	9.00
32	Wilbur Edgecomb Jr.	9.00
40	Samuel A. Chadbourne	21.86
47	Fred E. Thompson	6.00
158	John H. Stevens, teams on gravel in March	42.00
		$ 124.11

H. G. Littlefield and John H. Stevens each contributed fifteen dollars to this work in addition to above.

SNOW WORK WINTER 1924-1925

F. Day, Commissioner to April 1, 1925

Order No.		
1	Carroll Grover	$ 2.21
2	Paul Dustin	9.00
3	Fred H. Jones	19.85
4	Chester E. Farnham	13.50
9	Arthur Green	16.57
10	W. R. Berry	4.95
11	Ben Horne	7.50
12	Bilter A. Porrell	1.50
13	Leland H. Stevens	26.58
14	Christopher Hussey	9.33
15	Roscoe Hussey	22.73
20	John Penny	11.93
21	Will Rollins	3.00
26	W. M. Moulton	3.00
27	John E. Roberts	10.50
29	Herbert Hussey	9.53
31	Thos. G. Hall	31.08
33	Wilbur Edgecomb	9.00
34	Geo. Morrill	4.00
35	Alphonzo Kimball	3.00
36	Percy Smith	24.00
37	James Pender	12.00
38	M. T. Emery	1.50
39	S. A. Chadbourne	22.50
41	N. U. Meyers	16.98
45	Wilbur Edgecomb	3.00

46	Harold Deshon	22.00
50	Geo. E. Moulton	11.00
53	Elmer Pease	11.00
57	Ernest C. Allen	3.25
61	Wilbur Roberts	12.00
84	Willie F. Knight	9.00
93	Clifford Small	17.39
142	Ernest Hall	28.66
162	John Yates	9.00
423	Wilbur Carpenter	5.00
482	Leland Gile	11.68
483	Frank Day	10.00
484	Frank Day	5.00
485	Will Bean	6.00
492	Fred Leach	22.25
504	Franklin Grant	15.50
505	Forest Burbank	17.00
506	E. H. Brackett	7.00
514	Herbert B. Littlefield	5.00
515	Edward Maxwell	3.00
516	Edward Jarvis	17.50
518	Frank P. Morrill	2.00
519	Charles H. Cluff	7.65
		$ 556.62

Appropriation 1924-1925	$500.00
Expended by Day	556.62
Expended by Smith	14.00
Overdraft	70.62
	$570.62

SNOW WORK ACCOUNT 1925-26

Appropriated		$500.00

Expended to Feb. 9 as orders presented

Signed by S. A. Chadbourne	$121.00	
Signed by Percy Smith	14.00	
Balance as not expended over orders presented to Feb. 9	365.00	
		$500.00

SAMUEL A CHADBOURNE, COMMISSIONER

SNOW WORK 1925-26

Order No.		
445	Irving Yates	$12.00
446	Arthur Billieu	9.00
489	Maynard Clough	6.00
526	Arthur Billieu	4.50
528	Irving Yates	7.50
521	John H. Stevens, men and teams	82.00
		$121.00

BILLS COMING OVER FROM 1924

Order No.		
19	Robert Clark on joining of 3rd Class Road account 1924	$5.00
62	Wilbur Roberts, gravel	1.00
63	Harold Deshon on road 1924 by order of Selectmen	7.00

146	Franklin Grant ½ day truck, fixing up connection of State road	5.00	
	Walter Bean, order from Frank Day, Com. 1924	6.00	
			$24.00

Paid on investigation by Selectmen

POOR ACCOUNT

Appropriated	$500.00
From Mrs. S. A. Ives for burial expense of Lizzie Dunbar	85.00
	$585.00

Order No.		
7	4 weeks board, Mrs. Youngnickle	$ 8.00
8	Wood Pierce family	12.00
30	H. P. Webber, 8 weeks supplies to Pierce family	48.00
49	4 weeks board Mrs. Youngnickle	8.00
51	Thos. G. Hall, wood Pierce family	24.00
72	4 weeks board Mrs. Youngnickle	8.00
88	H. P. Webber, 8 weeks supplies to Pierce family	48.00
106	4 weeks boards Mrs. Youngnickle	8.00
150	4 weeks board Mrs. Youngnickle	8.00
155	H. P. Webber, 9 weeks supplies to Pierce family	54.87

165	4 weeks board Mrs. Youngnickle	8.00	
187	4 weeks board Mrs. Youngnickle	8.00	
219	Funeral expenses Lizzie Dunbar	75.00	
228	H. P. Webber, 8 weeks supplies to Pierce family	48.00	
264	4 weeks board Mrs. Youngnickle	8.00	
259	Thos. G. Hall, wood, Pierce family	11.00	
371	F. W. Trafton and Chas. C.	6.00	
385	H. P. Webber, Pierce family to Nov. 25	60.00	
403	F. W. Trafton for self and Chas. C.	5.00	
404	John E. Roberts, wood to Pierce family	15.00	
413	H. B. Fernald, clothing and shoes for Pierce family	22.85	
424	F. W. and Chas. C. Trafton	5.00	
427	F. W. and Chas. C. Trafton	5.00	
439	Eugene Roberts, wood for Pierce family, Nov. 7, Dec. 10, Jan. 13	33.00	
442	H. P. Webber, supplies for Pierce family to Jan. 25, 10 weeks	60.00	
443	F. W. and Chas. C. Trafton	6.00	
522	Lester R. Garvin, lodging 31 tramps with food	15.50	
447	F. W. and Chas. C. Trafton	6.00	
	Overdraft		39.22
			$624.22

SCHOOL ACCOUNT

The Selectmen have drawn orders for following sums as from the 22 payrolls separated into different accounts.

Teachers of High School	$2,609.86	
Teachers of Common Schools	2,624.40	
Conveyance of scholars	2,564.57	
Tuition out of town	75.00	
Music in schools	350.00	
Janitor service	665.00	
Fuel	1,466.13	
Repairs	259.00	
Lights in school buildings	19.32	
Superintendent's salary	300.00	
Books and supplies	498.13	
		$11,431.41
Amount voted for repairs		$ 200.00
Amount voted by Town		9,000.00
Received from State School fund		1,973.87
Received State R. R. and Tel. Tax		36.38
Rent of school house at Gore		120.00
Overdraft		101.16
		$11,431.41

MAINTENANCE OF STATE HIGHWAY

Appropriated		$440.00
Expended:		
"50-50"	$ 50.00	
State Patrol maintenance, paid by Treasurer	317.70	

Unexpended	72.30	
		$440.00

Relating to Purchase of Chemical Fire Truck

Voted at Annual Town Meeting to appropriate		$1,600.00
Voted at Special Town Meeting to appropriate		1,000.00
Received of Alfred Fire Department		500.00
		$3,100.00
Oct. 17 Gave note, 6 mos., to Sanford National Bank	$2,770.00	
Balance of amount as authorized, not used	330.00	
		$3,100.00

WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST

Appropriated		$ 50.00
Expended order 161 Harold Deshon	$17.50	
Expended order 170 Harold Deshon	10.50	
Expended order 185 Harold Deshon	24.50	
		$ 52.50
Over expended		$ 2.50

REPORT ON WHITE PINE BLISTER RUST WORK

TOWN OF ALFRED 1925

Cost to owners who destroyed currant and gooseberry bushes	$ 64.40
Cost to Government and State in Alfred	134.45

Cost to town for hire of Harold Deshon	52.50
Number of owners assisted by Harold Deshon	16
Number of currant and gooseberry bushes destroyed	11,429
Number of acres on which bushes were destroyed	427
Number of acres examined for bushes by Government and State, employees (Jones and Tarbox)	4,015
Number of acres found free of bushes	3,588

PER ACRE COST

Destroying bushes—427 acres at a cost of $117.30 ..... 27c per acre

PARSONS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Appropriated by Town		250.00
Paid order 103—June 1	100.00	
Paid order 151—July 7	150.00	
	$250.00	

ALFRED FIRE DEPARTMENT

Appropriated		$150.00
Jan. 9—Order 436	$150.00	

ELECTRIC STREET LIGHTS

Appropriated	$550.00
Overdrawn	20.32
Expended	$570.32

Order No.			
5	Feb. bill	$45.50	
42	March bill	45.50	
67	April bill	45.50	
107	May bill	45.50	
149	June bill	45.50	
164	July bill	46.58	
201	August bill	46.58	
252	September bill	46.58	
342	October bill	50.37	
417	November bill	47.62	
437	December bill	47.67	
451	January bill, three new lights in this	57.47	
			$570.32

INTEREST ACCOUNT

Appropriated	$100.00
Gain on discount and interest on taxes	6.15
Over expended	235.35
	$341.50

The Treasurer's account will show he has paid in interest on money borrowed in anticipation of taxes and on account of appropriations not provided for $341.50

The Treasurer has paid the interest on all Town notes to maturity.

ALFRED WATER CO.

Appropriated	$1,200.00
Paid order 131—June 15	$600.00

Paid order 408—Dec. 10	600.00	
		$1,200.00

FOUNTAIN AND PARK

Appropriated		$50.00
Order No.		
77 Paid John Bennett, repair on fountain	$ 4.00	
108 Sumner Ricker	9.20	
215 Sumner Ricker	8.55	
Balance unexpended	28.25	
		$50.00

PURCHASE OF SIREN

Appropriated		$400.00
Order to Alfred Fire Account	$400.00	

FIRE WARDEN

Appropriated		$25.00
Order 480 to H. J. Sayward	$25.00	

STATE AID HIGHWAY 1925

Voted by Town	$533.00
Received of State	781.16
State Inspector	12.00

Expended by town, pay roll	$1,317.82	
Correction of pay roll	1.28	
Over expended	7.06	
		$1,326.16

S. A. Chadbourne, Foreman

3rd CLASS STATE AID ROAD

A. E. Carpenter, Foreman

Total State apportionment		$1,768.73
Over expended		4.91
		$1,773.64
Amount allowed by State as expended	$1,762.64	
State inspection	11.00	
		$1,773.64

TOWN HALL ACCOUNT, 1925

Rent of Hall to Grange		$50.00
Grange charges Town use of Hall for school purposes.		
6 times for basket ball	$18.00	
7 times for school plays and rehearsals	21.00	
1 time, school play	3.00	
Pays Town Treasurer	8.00	
		$50.00

This is as we undertand was arranged by school board and Grange in years past, and covers lights, fuel

and janitor service. The town, of course, has use for all town purposes with any janitor charges pertaining thereto.

DISCOUNTS AND ABATEMENTS

Appropriated	$200.00

Supplementary Taxes Collected

Mrs. Abby Leavitt, homested	$ 55.50
Edward Maxwell, auto	3.70
W. J. Back, auto	3.70
Leon Beal, auto	3.70
Albert Yates, auto	3.70
Jos. Porell, house and lot	6.70
	$277.00

Abatements Allowed

Jessie Day, 1.10 per	$ 7.40
Geo. L. Libby, paid in Lyman	3.70
Perley Scott, paid in Sanford	3.70
Grover Thing, paid in Kennebunk	11.10
Alfred Water Co., by contract	81.40
Calvin Churchill, left town	3.00
Edward Leplant, left town	3.00
John D. Libby, paid in Lyman	3.00
R. C. McDaniels, left town	3.00
Perley Scott, paid in Sanford	3.00
Thos. Scott, minor	3.00
Harold Yeaton, left town	3.00
John Yates, Jr., left town	3.00

Charles W. Bracy, soldier 1861-5	14.80	
Herbert G. Chadbourne, over valuation	3.70	
	$149.80	
Surplus gain	$127.20	
		$277.00
Appropriated		$200.00
Supplementary Tax		77.00
		$277.00
Abatements		149.80
Balance over appropriation		$127.20

ALFRED FIRE DEPARTMENT

Treasurer's Report

1925		
Feb. 6	Balance	$ 537.54
Apr. 16	Received Town of Alfred for Fire Truck	1,195.00
July 9	Received Town of Alfred for Chemical equipment	1,575.00
Nov. 21	Received from H. J. Sawyard, hall rent	2.00
1926		
Feb. 4	Received Town of Alfred, amount voted by Town	150.00
Feb. 4	Received Town of Alfred for siren	400.00
		$3,859.54

1925			
Apr.	16	Paid Fred'k England	$1,195.00
May	26	Paid Herbert Hall	405.00
July	9	Paid D. E. McCann & Sons	1,575.00
Dec.	8	Paid J. G. Deering and Sons	59.49
Dec.	8	Paid C. C. L. & P. Co.	21.25
Dec.	8	Paid John B. Donovan	19.88
Dec.	8	Paid H. B. Fernald	9.00
1926			
Feb.	5	Paid G. W. Clark	36.61
Feb.	5	Paid H. J. Sayward	50.12
Feb.	5	Paid town of Alfred	170.00
Feb.	8	Paid Geo. Whitten	16.00
Feb.	8	Paid John Donovan	86.03
Feb.	9	Paid G. W. Clark	7.50
Feb.	9	Paid H. J. Sayward	5.10
Feb.	9	Paid H. E. Merrill	8.11
Feb.	9	Paid H. B. Fernald	10.14
Cash on hand			185.31
			$3,859.54

Alfred, Maine
Feb. 11, 1926

J. W. PLUMMER,
Treasurer

COST OF WORK ON LYMAN LITTLEFIELD BRIDGE

Order No.		
235	Porton of from Iron B. & M. R. R.	14.40
237	Geo. W. Nutter, portion teaming Iron	4.00
238	Ft. on Metal Arches, B. & M. R. R.	4.24

240	Frank Libby, work	15.00
241	Roy Carpenter, work	18.00
242	A. E. Carpenter, foreman	37.50
243	Horace Downing, work	22.84
244	Charles Brown, work	17.25
245	Ozro Drowns	20.00
246	Wilbur Edgecomb	25.00
254	Ozro Drowns	12.00
255	Lewis Bradbury	25.00
256	Frank Libby	6.00
257	Charles Brown	9.00
259	A. E. Carpenter, foreman	15.00
258	R. J. Carpenter	6.00
260	Geo. Morrill	9.00
261	E. H. Pease	6.00
263	Horace Downing	9.00
266	Waldo Ricker	6.00
269	Plummer's Garage, Derrick	10.00
273	Herbert Gray	10.83
283	John H. Stevens, lumber	21.00
292	Penn Metal orders, metal	195.76
293	Maguire & Jones Co., Iron beams	702.00
303	Lewis Maxwell, tending lanterns	7.50
323	A. H. Nutting, 265 bags cement delivered on job	225.25
254	John B. Donovan, pipe for water	7.46
367	Ralph Smilie, paint and painting	8.66
368	S. A. Chadbourne, team and driver	43.00
396	A. E. Carpenter, painting and trucking	8.34
397	Lucy Tripp, gravel	2.00
399	S. A. Chadbourne	5.25
400	John H. Stevens, portion lumber for forms	13.46

401	A. E. Carpenter, trip to Portland and use of car and truck	8.00	
407	G. W. Clark, work on iron	4.00	
412	Alfred Grocery Co., nails and spikes	1.61	
415	H. B. Fernald, paint, shovels and lanterns	9.42	
			$1,564.77

BRIDGE AT LITTLEFIELD'S MILL

Near Embroidery Mills

Order No.		
235	Freight on Iron, B. & M. R. R.	$ 14.40
236	Freight on Metal Arches, B. & R. R.	3.20
237	Geo. W. Nutter, teaming iron	4.00
254	Ozro Drowns, work	12.00
255	Lewis Bradbury	15.00
257	Charles Brown	9.00
259	A. E. Carpenter, foreman	15.00
261	E. H. Pease	9.00
262	Wilbur Edgecomb	8.00
263	Horace Downing	9.00
271	Penn Metal Arches	146.80
273	Herbert Gray	7.50
274	Horace Downing	13.50
275	Frank Libby	10.50
276	E. H. Pease	13.50
277	Charles Brown	6.00
278	Ozro Drowns	14.00

279	Wilbur Edgecomb	13.50
280	A. E. Carpenter, foreman	27.50
281	R. J. Carpenter	7.50
284	John H. Stevens, lumber	26.29
293	Maguire & Jones Co., Iron	390.60
294	Herbert Gray	9.00
295	E. H. Pease	9.00
296	Horace Downing	9.00
297	Ozro Drowns	12.00
299	Wilbur Edgecomb	9.00
300	R. J. Carpenter	7.50
301	A. E. Carpenter, foreman	20.00
322	A. H. Nutting, Jr., 281 bags cement	238.85
324	A. E. Carpenter, foreman	7.50
325	Horace Downing	4.50
326	Herbert Gray	1.50
327	Wilbur Edgecomb	1.50
329	Ozro Drowns	2.00
347	A. E. Carpenter, foreman	5.00
350	Herbert Gray	3.00
354	John B. Donovan, piping for water	7.46
367	Ralph Smilie, paint and painting	8.67
369	S. A. Chadbourne, team and driver	42.00
375	Charles Cluff, team	25.00
392	Lewis Bradbury, mason on concrete work and stone	35.00
393	Harry Chadborne, team	7.00
394	John H. Stevens, team and man	9.50
396	A. E. Carpenter, painting and finishing up	8.33
398	Ed. Ricker, gravel	6.00
400	John H. Stevens, lumber for fence	13.45

401	Jere Gile, use of fall to Derrick	5.00	
401½	A. E. Carpenter, portion trip to Portland, use of car and truck	8.00	
407	Geo. W. Clark, work and Iron	5.50	
412	Alfred Grocery Co., nails and spikes	1.62	
415	H. B. Fernald, paint, shovels etc.	9.42	
			$1,307.09

SWEET'S BRIDGE

Order No.		
267	Freight B. & M. R. R. on Metal Arches from Penn Metal Co.	$ 2.71
282	Freight B. & M. R. R. on Iron from Portland	16.72
294	Herbert Gray, labor	6.00
296	Horace Downing	6.00
298	Frank Libby	3.00
299	Wilbur Edgecomb	6.00
301	A. E. Carpenter, foreman	10.00
311	Herbert Gray	15.00
312	R. J. Carpenter	6.00
313	Wilbur Edgecomb	14.25
314	A. E. Carpenter, foreman	30.00
315	Horace Downing	15.00
316	Ozro Drowns	19.00
317	Frank Libby	6.00
319	Penn Metal Arches	121.99
321	A. H. Nutting, 336 bags cement	285.60
324	A. E. Carpenter, foreman	22.50
325	Horace Downing	13.50
326	Herbert Gray	16.50

327	Wilbur Edgecomb	16.50
328	Frank Libby	12.00
329	Ozro Drowns	22.00
343	Alfred Grain Co., wire for fence	5.00
344	R. J. Carpenter	16.00
345	Maguire & Jones Co., beams and rods	646.00
347	A. E. Carpenter, foreman	25.00
348	Ozro Drowns	24.00
349	Wilbur Edgecomb	18.00
350	Herbert Gray	15.00
351	Horace Downing	18.00
361	A. E. Carpenter	20.00
362	Horace Downing	12.00
363	Herbert Gray	9.00
364	Wilbur Edgecomb	9.00
365	Ozro Drowns	12.00
367	Ralph Smilie, paint and painting	8.67
370	S. A. Chadbourne, team and driver	57.50
374	C. H. Cluff, team and driver	50.00
394	John H. Stevens, team, ½ day	3.50
395	R. J. Carpenter	6.00
396	A. E. Carpenter, painting and finishing	8.33
398	Ed. Ricker, gravel	6.00
400	John H. Stevens, lumber for rails and posts	13.45
401	A. E. Carpenter, trip to Portland and use of truck and car, portion	
407	G. W. Clark, iron and work on same	19.60
412	Alfred Grain Co., nails etc.	1.62
415	H. B. Fernald, paint, shovels etc	9.43
		$1,688.37

Lyman Littlefield Bridge, near John H. Stevens mill has a span of 40', width 20'. We covered this bridge with 5 I-beams 24" deep, tied together with ¾" rods. Used 20 gauge corragated galvanized arches. On taking off the old wooden covering we found the North abutment wall to be good, but never painted. We painted up the seams with cement.

The South abutment wall, though apparently strong, was very open and we put up a form and poured concrete to form a new face 18" thick at bottom and 10" at top, which ran in, filling all the open seams, making a very solid abutment. Covered the bridge with concrete reinforced with iron. Put up a new rail 1½" pipe, painting rail and beams and completing the approach at a cost of $1,564.77.

The Littlefield's Mills Bridge, near the Embroidery factory has a length of beams 30 feet, width of bridge 24 feet. We used 5 I-beams 18" deep, ¾" cross rods, 20 gauge corrugated galvanized arches with reinforced concrete filling and 1½" Iron rail on bridge. Approach rail of heavy posts and 2" x 6" rails of wood. All iron and wood is painted.

We found the abutments to be loosely laid up, though apparently strong. We put up forms and filled in with a heavy face of concrete which flowed into the open spaces and make a solid wall. The owners of the Mills at same time attend to the covering of the Penstock and connected up their stone-work with the bridge. Cost of this job $1,307.09.

Swett's Bridge was found to be in a very unsafe condition, one of the beams broke while being removed, all were badly decayed.

We used 5 I-beams, 38 ft. long, 20 inch deep with ¾

cross tie rods and corrugated metal arches and 1½" iron pipe rail, same as on the other bridges. Concrete reinforced filling. Heavy wooden rails at the approaches, using pieces that came out of the beams of the other bridges, with 2" x 6" rails. We put up a side-fill of heavy rock on the up-river side, where the stream had cut into the very road-way at the south-end of the bridge also put up forms and made concrete face to the abutments and removed a sharp curve at the south approach. This was a much needed thing. The cost of this job was $1,688.37. Making the cost of these 3 bridges $4,560.23.

The Treasurer has borrowed to pay for this job as authorized by vote of town at last annual meeting $4,500. on note to the Sanford National Bank, as wiil be shown by his report.

The building of these bridges at once enabled us to use the lumber for forms and the sound portions of the old bridges, over and over, and to buy the material in larger quanity and thereby at a better price.

We were most fortunate in having the services of A. E. Carpenter as foreman. He is well acquainted with cement work and with handling such jobs. They could not have been put off longer as both covering and the beams were past their safety.

The foregoing account is submitted for year 1925 to Feb. 9, 1926 date of closing books.

LUCIUS M. PERKINS,
JAMES H. LITTLEFIELD,
JOHN E. ROBERTS,

Selectmen of Alfred.

Alfred, Me., February 22, 1926.

I have examined the foregoing accounts of the Selectmen and find them correct.

HARRY G. LITTLEFIELD,
Auditor.

REPORT OF TREASURER FOR 1925-26

RECEIVED

Balance from 1924			$2,733.36
From State of Maine,			
June 27	Burial of deceased soldier	$ 100.00	
Aug. 12	Highway dept.	41.16	
	Soldiers Pension	155.16	
	Tax on Bank Stock	336.86	
	Refund on State Aid Road	781.16	
Dec. 31	Soldier's pension	33.00	
	Soldier's pension	54.00	
	Refund building state road	1,757.73	
1926	Burial deceased soldier	100.00	
Feb. 5	State school fund	1,973.87	
	R. R. & Tel tax	36.38	
			$5,369.32
From L. D. Ridley, Tax Collector			$21,335.81

Miscellaneous

Town of Sanford, reinbursement on Hay Brook bridge	$ 40.14
Harry G. Littlefield, contribution to road improvement	15.00

Dog tax	97.00	
W. F. Trafton, 1924 tax deed	9.25	
Fire damage to school house	50.00	
Fire damage to school house	98.60	
Rent from school house at No. Alfred	120.00	
Rent of Town Hall	8.00	
Alfred Fire Dept.	170.00	
Lucius M. Perkins, refund account of Lizzie Dunbar	85.00	
Georgia A. Stearns, Lewis Estate 1924 tax deed	276.82	
		$969.81

Sanford National Bank

Notes Discounted	$12,465.00	
Interest on Bank Balances	39.15	
Refund of unearned interest	9.96	
		$12,514.11
Total receipts		$42,922.41

Paid

Orders of Selectmen	$31,163.33
State of Maine:	
Maintain state patroled road	277.70
Maintain state patroled road	367.70
Dog tax	97.00
State tax	3,904.59
State pensions	120.00
Sanford National Bank:	
Discount on notes	341.50
Old Cemetery Account	29.00
Burial of deceased soldier	100.00
York County tax	860.56

Notes	5,195.00	
		$42,456.38
To balance		466.03
		$42,922.41
Balance unexpened		$466.03

Notes Outstanding and other Liabilities

Sanford National Bank:		
Fire truck note, dated Oct. 17	$2,770.00	
Note for bridges, dated Nov. 14	4,500.00	
Due Old Cemetery Fund	1,453.01	
		$8,723.01

Old Cemetery Fund

Fund	$1,310.00	
Unexpended interest 1924	96.51	
Interest 1925	65.50	
		$1,472.01

Paid:

Orders of Trustees	$ 19.00	
Unexpended interest	143.01	
Fund	1,310.00	
		$1,472.01

Parsons Memorial Library

Balance from 1924	$2,422.36	
Town of Alfred	250.00	

New York Trust Co.	285.00	
State of Maine	24.68	
Atchinson, Topeka & Santa Fee R.R.	300.00	
Library Fines	33.87	
1925 dividends Sanford Nat. Bank	88.12	
		$3,404.03

Paid:

Orders of Directors and with their approval	$1,006.56	
To balance	2,397.47	
		$3,404.03

February 9, 1926.

FREDERICK A. HOBBS,

Treasurer.

Received from Town of Lyman after closing of books for tuition $60.00.

Alfred, Me., February 22, 1926.

I have examined the foregoing account of the Treasurer, and find it correct.

HARRY G. LITTLEFIELD.

Auditor.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the Superintending School Committee and Citizens of the Town of Alfred:

It is my privilege to submit for your consideration my sixth annual report of the condition and needs of Alfred.

We believe that the past year has been one of consistant progress and growth. With but one expection there have been no changes in the teaching staff. Generally speaking, attendance has been good and there has been evidence of a healty school spirit. The work which has been accomplished has been of a commendable nature.

Our greatest obstacle at the present time lies in the overcrowded condition of our elementary schools. Our school population has been steadily growing during the past few years and we now find ourselves confronted with numbers for which we have not adequate housing facilities. During the present term we have 49 pupils in the primary school, which includes grades one and two, 43 pupils in the intermediate school, which is made up of grades three, four and five, and 48 pupils in the grammar school which contains grades six, seven and eight. In other words we have 140 pupils housed in three rooms. In the standardization of school it is generally recognized that the number of pupils to be under the charge of one teacher should be about 30, not to exceed 35. By a glance at thse figures, it will be seen that on the basis of 30 pupils in a room we now have nearly enough pupils to use five rooms, or, using the maximum of 35 pupils we are in immediate need of one additional room.

The Committee recently met in conference with Mr. R. J. Libby of the State Department of Education who immediately saw the necessity of an adequate addition to our school building.As a result of that conference we would advise the erection of a new wing on the east side of the building, sufficiently large to permit of two recitation rooms on the ground floor, a suitable assembly hall for the high school, and a recreation room in the basement. Such an addition would solve the problem of congestion in the elementary grades, would provide a place for socials and public gatherings in the high school, and would afford an opportunity for physical education for all the schools in the building. With the addition of the facilities our building would be brought more nearly into conformity with present day needs. The school in any community should be one of the important centers of the social life of that community. Before this ideal can be realized, however, we must at least have a building sufficiently large to accomdate the public. It is not to be denied that the addition recommended would mean the expenditure of a substantial sum of money. We also admit that the town is, at the present time, under considerable expense. It is, therefore, with some reluctance that this request is made, but we feel very confident that something must be done in the near future. Our schools are one of the most vital elements of our community and should be worth sacrificing for.

Certain repairs of a general nature will be imperative next year. The building is in immediate need of shingling. Our recent experience with fires would indicate that the roof should be covered with fire proof material. May I also mention in this connection that a fire escape should be provided. The law definitely says that there should be two separate means of egress from the upper story of all school buildings. During the past two or

three years the amount appropriated for repairs has been so meager that very little could be done. We have been able this year to provide a new science table for the laboratory although there was not sufficient money to do necessary plumbing in connection with it. We hope to complete this next year. The interior of the building is sadly in need of painting. The heating plant is by no means satisfactory. Comparison of fuel costs with those of neighboring towns having buildings larger than ours shows that we are wasting money each year by heating five rooms with three heaters.

The high school has had a very progressive year. Although the registration has fallen off slightly, owing to the graduation of a large class last June, conditions in the grades indicate that this decrease in numbers is but temporary. For a more detailed report of the high school I would respectfully refer you to the report of the Principal.

During the past three years very helpful work along the line of school hygiene has been done by the York County branch of the Maine Public Health Association. Thus far this work has cost us nothing. Many towns appropriate money each year for medical inspection. I am informed that if the Public Health Association is to follow up the work begun, another nurse must be employed. Some of the towns in the County will meet this necessity by appropriating money for health work and employ the County nurse. It seems very much worth while for this town to assist in this matter.

Our pupils have shown marked progress in music under the very able instruction of Mrs. Helen Dooley. I trust that we shall be able to continue our work along this line.

With the exception of the repairs account, the schools have been financed within the appropriations. Slight salary increases were given the elementary teachers. It is desirable that we maintain a salary scale which will permit us to retain teachers from year to year. Too much changing is not good for the schools. In the matter of conveyance we have continued our policy of town owned conveyance facilities. This year we had a closed body built for winter use on the "Mountain" route. This has proved very satisfactory. We trust that we shall continue to have the financial backing which we have enjoyed in the past.

In conclusion, I wish to express to the Superintending School Committee and the citizens of the town my appreciation of their loyalty and support during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

MAYNARD E. WRIGHT.

Superintendent of Schools.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Common Schools

Resources

Appropriation	$4,800.00	
State School Fund	1,473.87	
Rent of No. Alfred School	120.00	
R. R. and Tel. Tax	36.38	
Unexpended, 1925	983.22	
		$7,413.47

Expenditures

Teachers' salaries	$2,609.30	
Fuel and Lights	1,040.33	
Janitors	374.00	
Conveyance	2,564.57	
Tuition	75.00	
		$6,663.50
Unexpended		$ 749.47
		$7,413.47

Expenditures—Itemized

Teachers' Salaries

Lois Clough	$781.89	
Hazel Linnell	744.40	
Amber Mitchell	744.40	
Etta D. Goodwin	315.00	
Harriet Clark	23.61	
		$2,609.30

Fuel and Lights

Oliver Pecor	$ 46.00	
R. L. Clark	18.00	
Henry W. Brock	48.00	
L. D. Ridley	615.99	
G. A. W. Roberts	303.68	
Waterboro Box and Milling Co.	2.00	
Cumberland Co. P. & L. Co.	6.66	
		$1,040.33

Janitors

Walter Clark	$366.00	
Etta D. Goodwin	8.00	
		$374.00

Conveyance

Herbert Hussey	$965.00	
George Roberts	817.00	
Ralph Stone	283.00	
Wilbur Carpenter	150.00	
Town of Sanford	135.00	
H. J. Sayward	95.97	
Maynard Clough	90.00	
Fred Jones	28.00	
		$2,564.57

Tuition

Town of Sanford	$75.00	
		$75.00

HIGH SCHOOL ACCOUNT

Resources

Appropriation	$3,050.00	
State School Fund	500.00	
Tuition, Town of Lyman	60.00	
Balance, 1925	381.99	
		$3,991.99

Expenditures

Teachers' salaries	$2,624.96	
Janitor	291.50	
Fuel	432.46	
Lights	12.66	
		$3,361.58
Unexpended		630.41

High School Expenditures Itemized

Teachers' Salaries

Carlton L. Walker	$1,555.52	
Lois I. Jordon	458.33	
Carolyn Hodgdon	611.11	
		$2,624.96

Janitor

Walter Clark	$291.50	
		$291.50

Fuel

L. D. Ridley	$432.46	
		$432.46

Lights

Cumb. Co. Power & Light Co.	$12.66	
		$12.66

Repairs Account

Appropriation	$200.00	
Overdraft	59.00	
		$259.00

Expended as follows:

H. J. Sayward, labor and material	$130.91	
Town of So. Berwick, seats	83.34	
Edw. E. Babb & Co., seats	18.00	
Walter Clark, labor	12.00	
Robert L. Clark, trucking	7.00	
Plummer's Garage, repairs	3.25	
Ralph Smilie, paint	2.50	
A. G. Littlefield, labor	2.00	
		$259.00

Text Books and Supplies

Appropriation		500.00

Expended as follows:

American Book Company	$75.08
Ginn and Company	46.59
J. L. Hammett Co.	43.62
Ryan and Buker	36.32
Edw. E. Babb & Co.	32.66
Silver Burdette and Co.	29.56
The Macmillan Co.	29.34
World Book Co.	26.90
H. B. Fernald	24.33
Benj. H. Sanborn Co.	20.69
Chemical Rubber Co.	15.61
Lyons and Carnahan	14.18
George W. Craigie	13.22
George F. Cram Co.	13.19

S. E. Gowen	13.01	
Howard and Brown	11.48	
Dowling School Supply Co.	9.08	
Milton Bradley Co.	8.41	
Allyn and Bacon	4.78	
D. H. Knowlton Co.	4.50	
Portland Directory Co.	4.50	
Mrs. H. J. Kelley	4.20	
D. C. Heath and Co.	3.29	
Plummer's Garage	3.20	
Ernest G. Knights	2.94	
Little Brown and Co.	2.90	
Harter School Supply Co.	2.55	
Sprague's Journal of Maine History	2.00	
Total		$498.13
Unexpended		1.87
		$500.00

Music Supervision

Appropriation	$350.00	
Paid Helen Dolley		$350.00

Superintendent of Schools

Appropriation	$300.00	
Paid Maynard E. Wright		$300.00

REPORT OF HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

To the Superintendent of Schools and School Board of Alfred:—

Following is the report of work in the high school for the fiscal year of 1925.

The enrollment records as of September 1925 are as follows:

Seniors (1926)	5	3	8
Juniors (1927)	3	5	8
Sophomores (1928)	5	4	9
Freshmen (1929)	4	5	9
	17	17	34

School opened September 8, 1925 with a total enrollment of 34, 17 boys and 17 girls. At the present time (February 12) all except 3 of this number are attending. The average attendance for the fall term was 31.9, there being 11 pupils not absent for any session during the term.

Alfred High School was approved last year by the New England College Entrance Certificate Board as a Class A school for a period of four years, subject to the following rule: "The Board shall have the power of withdrawing approval from a school and from such a school certificate shall not afterwards be accepted until it shall again have been approved by the Board" There is a danger of being obliged to forfeit this privilege unless certain improvements are made.

The organization of this curriculum remains quite similar to that of previous years. There are two courses, the college preparatory and the general cultural courses. According to the present plan there is little opportunity for individual selection of subjects. This condition necessitates the addition of more subjects and teachers. The most remarkable step forward would be to employ a third teacher. The present curriculum of Alfred High School demands it. Under the present schedule the assistant conducts seven recitations and the Principal

eight, a condition which renders the most efficient work impossible.

The course in music, which was introduced into the curriculum four years ago has aroused much enthusiasm among the students. The hour a week devoted to this subject is invaluable to the school.

The lack of space and material suitable for library purposes in the high school building reveals a striking failure to appreciate the important part which the school library should have in the high school education. It will readily be seen that the conception of the school library requires a more intimate relation to the school where the library is not housed in the school building itself. Better results are likely to be secured where those in charge of the library service are part of the school organization and directly responsible to school authorities. However excellent the public library, the school should have a library of its own.

GRADUATION

The class of 1925, consisting of 12 members, was graduated June 11, 1925.

Program

Procession of the Classes

Music ..... Organ

Invocation ..... Rev. G. E. Mossman

Salutatory ..... Famous Men and Women of Maine
Natalie Marie Downs

Class History
Ruby May Stevens

Essay ..... Development of Education in Maine
John George Penney

Music ..... Alfred High School Chorus

Prophecy

Helen Abbie Anderson

Essays: Scenic Beauty of Maine, Evelyn Anne Thompson
Industries of Maine—Bertha Lovine Nason
Maine Forts—Edna Mabel Roberts

Music ..... Alfred High School Trio

Murder Scene from Macbeth
Macbeth ..... Gladys Van Saun Kelley
Lady Macbeth ..... Hazel May Clough

Valedictory ..... Early Explorations in Maine
Alice Gertrude Goodwin

Singing of Class Ode

Presentation of Diplomas ..... Supt. M. E. Wright

Benediction ..... Rev. G. E. Mossman

CLASS OF 1925

Helen Abbie Anderson
Hazel May Clough
Natalie Marie Downs
Alice Gertrude Goodwin
Gladys Van Saun Kelley
Bertha Louise Nason
John George Penney
Edna Mabel Roberts
Ruby May Stevens
Evelyn Anne Thompson
Beula Edna Trafton
Mildred Elsie Trafton

Seven members of this class are pursuing their studies in institutions of higher learning.

JUNIOR READINGS

The first annual Junior Readings were held Friday evening, June 5, 1925.

Program

Procession of the Classes

Music ..... America
High School Chorus and Audience

Prayer ..... Rev. G. E. Mossman

Music ..... The Garnet and the Black

High School Chorus

The Establishment of Forestry ..... Pinchot
Harland Raymond Drowns

How Girls Study ..... McDonald
Elsie Belle Hussey

Music, Welcome Sweet Spring ..... Rubenstein
Capital Ship

High School Chorus

Birth of the New South ..... Grady
Marshman Frederick Edgecomb

Who Would Be A Boy Again?
Chester Russell Goodwin

True Nobility
Willard Batchelder Stone

The Light of Deadman's Bar
Stella Margaret Roberts

Music—Soldiers Chorus ..... Gounod
High School Chorus

America's Greatness
Norman Ray O'Brien

Betty At a Baseball Game
Doris Mabel Ricker

The Star Spangled Banner
Chorus and Audience

Benediction ..... Rev. G. E. Mossman

TEXT BOOKS AND EQUIPMENT

Tanner's Composition and Rhetoric was adopted for the Freshman class in English, Smith's Essentials of Plane Geometry for the Sophomore class, and Bishop and Robinson's Syllabus in Modern European History for the Senior class. The text books are in very good condition. The few old ones in use at present will be replaced soon by up-to-date books. Our General Science text book could be covered in the first half year and Biology substituted the last half. The Chemistry-Physics table, which was added to the equipment this year, has proven to be a real aid in the accomplishing of the work in Science. More materials and apparatus would facilitate the experimental work.

Extra Curriculum Activities

The Annual Senior Class play, No Trespassing, was given last February at the Town Hall and repeated at West Kennebunk Grange Hall with a net profit of about $110. This amount was used for the expenses of the Washington tour. During the fall term, according to the custom, the entertainment was given by the school

students and a profit of about $30 was realized. Again on January 22 and January 30 two one-act plays were given with a profit of $55. Over half the total number of students in the school took part.

The Chronical, the high school publication which made its first appearance three years ago, has been issued this year. The benefits to be obtained by a student publication are obvious; it is a great stimulus to eager student writing, it moulds and develops school spirit, it increases community and public interest in the school, it gives excellent business and vocational training of a certain nind to students on the staff. With a clear idea of the educational purpose of the publication of **The Chronicle,** those interested in the Alfred High School have given generously and deserve many thanks.

By reason of the natural interest in physical games and of their spectacular nature, athletics is by far the most popular form of social activity in the school. The boys have taken much interest in basket ball and the result has been a team of very sportsmanlike young men. Base ball, revived last spring, is already receiving attention for the coming season.

Recommendations

In summarizing, the following recommendations are offered:

1. Medical examination of all pupils.

2. Third year in French.

3. Separation of Junior-Senior English into two distinct classes.

4. Building up of high school library.

5. Third teacher in the high school.

6. Half-year course in Biology to take the place of half-year of present General Science course.

7. More materials and apparatus for science course.

To The Parents

There is a certain amount of routine contact between parents and the school but very seldom do the parents visit as individuals unless some unsatisfactory situation has arisen regarding a pupil's work or conduct. These intermeius do not as a rule prove unpleasant but lead to a better understanding and an improvement of the conditions which are hindering a pupil's success.

To secure the progress of the pupil, the school and the home must work together. Each six weeks a report is sent to you. Please examine each report carefully, sign it, and send it back promptly. If the report is not clear to you or if, for any reason, you wish to talk with the Principal or with a teacher about your child's work, please do not hesitate to come to see us. **You will be welcome.**

Please note that absence from school must be explained by the parents on the **first** return of the pupil.

Work missed by absence approved by the teachers may be made up with the subject teachers at the close of the afternoon session.

Unexcused absence is truancy.

Time lost due to tardiness must be made up at the close of the school day.

Very few pupils can do satisfactory work without spending at least two hours in study in addition to the period assigned for study during the school hours. If a pupil seems to require much less or much more than this for the preparation of his lessons, the parent is advised to notify the teachers promptly.

Going to school is a business that demands regularity and promptness; will you help us to teach your boy or girl that fact?

Permit the writer to express his sincere appreciation to the Superintendent, School Board and parents for the fine spirit of cooperation that has been shown.

Respectfully submitted,

CARLETON L. WALKER,

Principal of Alfred High School.

PARSONS MEMORIAL LIBRARY

To the Board of Directors of Parsons Memorial Library:—Gentlemen:—

I have the pleasure of submitting the following as the twenty-second Annual Report of Parsons Memorial Library for the year ending March 1, 1926.

Althugh the past year has not been marked by any great change of method in library work, we think, on the whole it has been a fairly prosperous year.

The number of books taken out is considerably larger than the previous year and, although no record has been kept, we think more people have made use of the library. The young people and children are still the greatest readers and the scholars are making good use of the reference books.

The reading room is used almost entirely by the young people and it is a matter of regret that some of the older folks do not avail themselves of the privilege of reading the many good magazines on the reading table. Not only would they derive pleasure and profit from the time spent there but their presence might have an elevating effect on the atmosphere of the library.

The book shelves, both in reading room and in the stock room, are overflowing and we have already removed some of the older books and still more ought to be removed to make room for the new books which are cnstantly being added.

We have purchased this year 204 books which is more than last year. Of these 12 are renewals.

Books presented by friends	12
Books received from State library	7
Number of books loaned	5,884
Number of books in library	9,288
Cards outstanding	342

We are still sending boxes of books to North Alfred and the Gile Neighborhood and Mrs. Leland Gile and Miss Elsie Gile continue to take charge of them.

In this way some who might not come to the library are able to have books to read.

To any in need of good books or magazines or one who is seeking information on any subject we extend an invitation to come and try our library.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY C. EMERSON,

Librarian.

All the Directors have to say is, the twenty odd years the Library has been serving this community has demonstrated the economy and vitility of its existence and we are not ashamed to ask for the same appropriation as last year, $250.00.

LUCIUS M. PERKINS,
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MARY C. EMERSON,
G. ELMER MOSSMAN,
GRACE M. CAME,

Directors.

BUDGET RECOMMENDATION FOR 1926

Support of Poor	$ 900.00
Overdraft on Ways and Bridges for 1925	1,600.00
Snow	700.00
Ways and Bridges	2,000.00
Incidental Account	400.00
Discounts and Abatements	200.00
Interest Account	550.00
Library	250.00
Street Lights	650.00
Maintenannce State Roads	440.00
Alfred Water Co.	1,200.00
Fountain and Park	25.00
Fire Dept. Maintenance	975.00
Fire Warden	25.00
3rd Class State Road	533.00
Schools	9,000.00
Pine Blister Rust Control	50.00
Total	$19,498.00

Voted to take up cost of School house repairs at annual Town Meeting.

Recommended that the town vote to take up note on the Chemical Fire Truck amounting to $2,770.00.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

BIRTHS

1925

Feb. 17 To George Filian and Anna M. Levens,a son, Lewis Roberts.

Mar. 21 To Harland W. Ward and Marion Drowns, a son, Leslie Harland.

Apr. 4 To Everett V. Plante and Georgianna Ring, a son, Everett V. Jr.

Apr. 30 To Frank Daney and Elsie Scott, a son, Stanley Gordon.

June 14 To Freeman B. Trafton and Florence Weeks, a daughter, Barbara Ella.

June 16 To Rufus E. Trafton and Hazel G. Allen, a daughter, Lillian Hazel.

July 2 To John E. Johnston and Ida Lockwood, a daughter, Effie May.

July 21 To Roscoe A. Hussey and Gladys Adams, a daughter, Lucille Blanche.

July 26 To Caleb U. Burbank and Helen Wiggin, a daughter, Marcia Susan.

Aug. 18 To Ralph Smilie and Ella M. Stinehour, a son, Gerald Lee.

Sept. 1 To Walter S. Babcock and Grace E. Ridley, a daughter, Rita Grace.

Sept. 18 To Hampton Merrill and Elsie A. Hobbs, a son, Benjiman W.

Sept. 21 To George L. Roberts and Edna Johnston, a son, Paul Elkanah.

Oct. 12 To Irving Yates and Mildred E. Eagle, a daughter, Minnie.

Nov. 9 To Edward A. Baker and Hazel L. Proctor, a son, James Edward.

Nov. 12 To Lester R. Garvin and Lillian Rankin, a son, Thomas T.

Nov. 16 To Herbert L. Hussey and Eva M. Howard, a daughter, Velma Harriett.

Dec. 10 To John B. Donovan and Pauline Forrest, a son, John Bernard Jr.

1926

Jan. 22 To Charles E. Allen and Melverta Whitney, a son, Sidney Elwyn.

Feb. 4 To Emery S. Littlefield and Ruth Ridley, a daughter, Katharine Ariel.

DEATHS

1925

Feb. 3 George R. Libby· Age 76 yrs., 4 mos., 27 days. Cause of death—Cancer of mouth.

Mar. 31 Isaac Worden. Age 86 yrs., 16 days. Cause of death—Chronic Eudocarditis.

Mar. 30 Lettie S. Pender. 73 yrs., 2 mos., 25 days. Cause of death—Chronic Valvular disease of heart.

Apr. 14 Chester H. Maddox. Age 67 yrs., 11 mos., 9 days. Cause of death—Acute Dilatation.

Juiy 26 Abial A. Johnson. Age 87 yrs., 6 mos., 4 days. Cause of death—Chronic Eudocarditis.

July 28 Hazel G. Trafton. Age 25 yrs., 9 mos., 6 days. Cause of death—Abcess of throat.

Aug. 5 Susan J. Bennett. Age 60 yrs., 11 mos., 25 days· Cause of death—Lobar pneumonia.

Aug. 23 . Mary A. Johnson. Age 86 yrs., 3 mos., 13 days. Cause of death. Appolexy.

Sept. 21 Bethsheba Lear. Age 75 yrs., 2 mos., 17 days. Cause of death—Chronic Eudocarditis·

Oct. 16 Lizzie S. Libby. Age 73 yrs., 3 mos., 2 days. Cause of death—Lobar pneumonia.

Dec. 11 Benjiman W. Merrill. Age 2 mos. Cause of death—Convulsion.

Dec· 16 Letitia L. Hall. Age 66 yrs., 3 mos., 1 day. Cause of death—Appoplexy.

Dec. 21 John V. Lewis. Age 74 yrs., 7 mos., 22 days. Cause of death—Appoplexy.

Died Away—Buried Here

1925

May 7 Frank A. Whitten. Age 70 yrs., 1 mo., 24 days. Cause of death—Cancer of face.

May 22 Charles E. Bean. Age 79 yrs., 9 days. Cause of death—Appoplexy.

May 22 Charles A. Gould Jr. Age 1 day Cause of death—Congenital Cyanosis.

Nov. 17 Emma L. Jones. Age 63 yrs., 5 mos., 25 days. Cause of death—Angina Pectoris.

Nov. 30 Alice G. Bigelow. Age 64 yrs., 9 mos., 25 days. Cause of death—Exhaustion from Crebral hemmorhage.

1926

Jan. 25 Florence Howett. Age 16 yrs., 9 mos., 11 days. Cause of death—Striptococcir Infection.

MARRIAGES

1925

Apr. 14 George A. Day and Persis G. Knight, at Buxton, Maine.

May 16 Eugene E. Young and Mary E. Leader, at Alfred, Maine.

June 13 Harold Valley and Bertha Nason, at Sanford, Maine.

July 17 Carroll B. Cleaves and Nellie Yates, at Sanford, Maine.

Aug. 24 Warren A. Sayward and Marion E. Morey, at Alfred, Maine.

Dec. 25 Clarence E. Thyng and Ruby E. Winslow, at Springvale, Maine.

Dec. 31 George M. Hobbs and Ella Baker, at Alfred, Maine.

Dec. 31 John T. Hall and Rachel T. Hobbs, at Sanford, Maine.

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